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SUMMARY: AT LUCHEON ON JANUARY 28, HOSTED BY FRENCH AMBASSADOR DE ROSE, PERMREPS DISCUSSED THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS: SITE OF THE SPRING 1975 NAC MINISTERIAL, LAW OF THE SEA, ECONOMIC STUDIES IN NATO, GREECE-THRUKEY DISPUTES IN THE AEGEAN, THE PORTUGUESE POLITICAL SCENE, CSCE CONSULTATION AT NATO, TERRORISM, AND SALARIES OF NATO STAFF. END SUMMARY.

1. SITE OF THE SPRING1975 NAC MINISTERIAL--SYG LUNS SAID HE HAD RECEIVED NOTICE THAT THE UNITES STATES HAD DECIDED AGAINST OFFERING TO HOST THE NAC MINISTERIAL THIS SPRING. AMBASSADOR BRUCE CONFIRMED TIS DECISION GIVING THE FOLLOWING CONFIDENTIAL

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REASONS:

--THE UNITED STATE HAS CONSIDERED FURTHER THE POSSIBILITY OF WASHINGTON AS THE SITE FOR THE SPRING 1975 NAC

MINISTERIAL MEETING, AND HAS CONCLUDED THAT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE FOR THE MEETING TO BE HELD ELSEWHERE.

--THE UNITED STATES WAS HOST TO THE NAC MINISTERIAL IN 1969. THERE REMAIN A NUMBER OF SUITABLE NATO CAPITALS WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED IN THE INTERIM.

--WHILE THE UNITED STATES RECOGNIZES THAT THERE IS NO AGREED PATTERN FOR ROTATION, WE ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO ALL ALLIES UNDERTAKING TO SERVE AS HOST TO MINISTERIAL GATHERINGS, NOT THE LEAST BECAUSE ROTATION AMONG ALL CAPITALS CONVEYS TO PUBLIC OPINION AN ENHANCED SENSE OF ALLIED SOLIDARITY.

--THE U.S. WILL SERVE AS HOST THIS SPRING TO THE NG MINISTERIAL, HAVING ACCEPTED THIS RESPONSIBILITY WHEN OTHERS WERE NOT IN A POSITION TO DO SO. MOREOVER, THE U.S. WILL ALSO SERVE AS HOST FOR THE SACLANNT SYMPOSIUM, SEALINK, IN JUNE.

--THE U.S. WILL KEEP UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION THE POSSIBILITY OF SERVING AS HOST IN 1976, THE U.S. BICENTENNIAL YEAR, BUT WE RECOGNIZE THAT TURKEY AND NORWAY MAY BE PREFERABLE IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE PRACTICE OF ROTATION.

THERE WAS NO CRITICISM OF THE U.S. DECISION OR REASONING. LUNS SAID HE HOPED THE BRITISH WOULD OFFER TO TAKE THE MEETING THIS SPRING. UK AMBASSADOR PECK DISPLAYED NO ENTHUSIASM FOR THIS IDEA. AMBASSADOR BUSCH (NORWAY) REPEATED OSLO'S INABILITY TO HANDLE THE MINISTERIAL THIS YEAR BUT THEIR WILLINGNESS TO DO SO, IF REQUESTED, NEXT YEAR. THE DUTCH AND TURKISH AMBASSADORS WERE CATEGORICALLY NEGATIVE ABOUT THE MEETING TAKING PLACE IN THEIR CAPITALS. NO DECISION WAS REACHED.

2. LAW OF THE SEA (LOS)-- BRUCE INFORMED PERMREPS THAT HE INTENDED TO RAISE IN THE NAC THE FOLLOWING DAY (JANUARY 29) THE CONFIDENTIAL

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QUESTION OF LOS CONSULTATIONS. WASHINGTON BELIEVES THE CONSULTATIONS THE COUNCIL HELD IN MAY 1974 WERE USEFUL IN PREPARING FOR THE 1974 LOS CONFERENCE AT CARACAS, AND WISHES TO PROPOSE SIMILAR CONSULTATIONS HERE PRIOR TO THE 1975 LOS CONFERENCE WHICH CONVENES AT GENEVA IN MID-MARCH. SPECIFICALLY, BRUCE SAID HE WOULD PROPOSE:

A. NAC CONSULTATIONS WITH LOS EXPERTS IN LATE FEBRUARY OR EARLY MARCH;

B. PARTICIPATION IN THESE CONSULTATIONS BY HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS FROM CAPITALS AND NATIONAL LOS DELEGATIONS:
AND

C. THE FOLLOWING AGENDA: NAVIGATION, MILITARY IMPLICATIONS OF THE ECONOMIC ZONE, TERRITORIAL SEA, AND MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

3. ECONOMIC STUDIES IN NATO. --LUNS ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY PRELIMINARY REACTIONS TO THE U.S. PROPOSAL MADE IN THE JANUARY 22 NAC THAT THE ALLIANCE STUDY ECONOMIC ISSUES AFFECTING ITS SECURITY. THERE WAS NO OPPOSITION TO THE U.S. PROPOSAL. BRUCE COMMENTED ON THE POSSIBLE ADVISABILITY WHEN SUCH ECONOMIC STUDIES ARE COMPLETE OF HAVING POLITICAL/STRATEGIC POLICY OFFICIALS FROM CAPITALS--RATHER THAN ECONOMIC OFFICIALS--INVOLVED IN THE COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP DEBATE AND ACTION.

4. GREECE-TURKEY DISPUTES IN THE AEGEAN--AMBASSADOR THEODOROPOULOS (GREECE) REPORTED THAT THE BILATERAL COMMUNAL TALKS ABOUT CYPRUS SEEMED STALLED AND THIS HIS COUNTRY ALSO HAD DIFFERENCES WITH TURKEY OVER AIR DRILLING IN THE AEGEAN. HE CALLED ATTENTION TO PRIME MINISTERS CARAMANLIS' PROPOSAL THAT THIS MATTER BE REFERRED TO THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE.

5. PORTUGUESE POLITICAL SCENE--AMBASSADOR DE FREITAS CRUZ (PORTUGAL) AGAIN DELIVERED A FRANK DISSERTATION ON THE POLITICAL SITUATION PORTUGAL. HE RETURNED TO A NUMBER OF THE SAME POINTS HE MADE AT THE PREVIOUS WEEK'S LUNCHEON INCLUDING HIS VIEW THAT THE ATTITUDE OF THE ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT WOULD BE DETERMINING ON THE FUTURE POLITICAL COURSE HIS COUNTRY WOULD TAKE. HE SPOKE OF THE SHARP DIVISION WITHIN THE ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT AMONG LEFTISTS, MODERATES AND RIGHTISTS, AND HIS OWN OVERALL MODERATE CONFIDENTIAL

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LONG-TERM OPTIMISM. IN THIS LATTER CONNECTION HE WAS ENCOURAGED BY A REPORT THAT THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY HAD JUST COME OUT IN FAVOR OF HOLDING THE SCHEDULED SPRING ELECTIONS.

6. CSCE CONSULTATIONS--PERMREPS BRIEFLY DISCUSSED THE SCHEDULED FEBRUARY 7 CSCE CONSULTATION AT NATO WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM GENEVA AND/OR CAPITALS. AMBASSADOR BRUCE INFORMED HIS COLLEAGUES THAT AMBASSADOR SHERER WOULD BE PRESENT ON THE U.S. SIDE AND THE U.S. HOPED OTHER SENIOR ALLIED OFFICIALS WOULD ALSO PARTICIPATE. BRIU SUGGESTED THAT IF ANY UNUSUAL TOPICS ARE TO BE RAISED BY INDIVIDUAL ALLIES, IT MIGHT BE WELL TO GIVE ADVANCE WARNING TO OTHERS.

7. TERRORISM.--AMBASSADOR PECK (UK) REFERRED TO THE DISCUSSION OF THE WORK OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE NAC THE FOLLOWING DAY. HE SUGGESTED THAT DISCUSSION OF TERRORISM ASPECTS OF THIS WORK SHOULD BE DEFERRED UNTIL A LATER DATE IN ORDER TO PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO WORK OF THIS COMMITTEE IN THE FIELD OF SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES. THIS SUGGESTION RECEIVED NO SUPPORT.

8 SALARIES OF NATO STAFF--SYG LUNS STATED THAT THE COORDINATING

COMMITTEE HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL DURING ITS RECENT MEETING IN PARIS
IN REACHING AGREEMENT ON A COST-OF-LIVING INCREASE FOR NATO STAFF
OF ABOUT 5 PERCENT DATING BACK TO NOVEMBER QM THE QUESTION OF
OVERALL REVISION OF PAY SCALES IN TERMS OF STANDARD-OF-LIVING
(AS OPPOSED TO COST-OF-LIVING) WILL BE FURTHER CONSIDERED THIS WEEK
AND AT SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS. MEANWHILE THE NATO STAFF WILL NOT STRIKE
AS THREATENED, BUT WILL RESERVE ITS POSITION.
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